

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title: Boot Management In Computer Systems Assisted By  
An Endpoint With PCI-XP Or USB-V2 Interface  
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Initial Comments:

Claims 1-45 are pending in the present application. Claims 1-12, 17-26, 31-33, and 38-45 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,748,525 (Hubacher). Claims 13, 27, and 34 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being rendered obvious by Hubacher in view of U.S. Patent 5,860,001 (Cromer). Claims 14, 28, and 35 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being rendered obvious by Hubacher in view of U.S. Patent 6,088,794 (Yoon). Claims 15, 29, and 36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being rendered obvious by Hubacher in view of U.S. Patent 5,937,063 (Davis). Claims 16, 30, and 37 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being rendered obvious by Hubacher in view of U.S. Patent 6,240,519 (James). Figure 1 is objected to because it is not labeled prior art.

Claims 1, 17, and 31 are amended herein. It will be noted that the Applicant's amendments herein are being made for the sole purpose of clarifying the claim language and are not intended to limit the scope of the claims beyond their originally filed breadth.